I would oppose the idea of changing the date in which a candidate can begin to accept a salary before the filing deadline, and oppose the idea of giving a set hourly wage, or an amount greater than the candidate's current salary. In the first case, a candidate could claim they are running for office for a few months, collect a salary, and never file a nominating petition. In the second case, people could exploit the new provision to become "professional candidates" who run for office with no intention of winning an election, but merely running to get paid.

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